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WEEKEND, October 26-28, 2012

News worth sharing.



All tricked out for HAL-CON WEEKEND

Alexandria Bennett is Sailor Moon and Scott Aucoin is a stormtrooper. Both are excited to participate in this weekend's Hal-Con, which runs from Friday until Sunday at the World Trade and Convention Centre in Halifax. Story, page 5. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Keep eye on Sandy

Bad weather.

Erratic hurricane track suggests landfall will be in northeastern U.S.

By the numbers

165 km/h

Sandy's top sustained wind speeds on Thursday.



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A senior forecaster at the Canadian Hurricane Centre says a late-season hurricane headed up the eastern seaboard won't likely have a direct impact on Nova Scotia.

However, Bob Robichaud says Hurricane Sandy is powerful enough to be of concern, regardless of where it makes landfall.

"The important thing as we go into the weekend is to keep a very close eye on the forecast because there's still a fairly wide range of scenarios that are possible here," said CHC meteorologist Bob Robichaud.

Robichaud says most models currently show the Category 2 storm zigzagging along the eastern seaboard and then making an unusual westward turn towards land.

"That's where the variability lies, some computer

models indicate it may be as far south as south of New Jersey, there's some other ones showing in the extreme that it could be much further up the northeast U.S.," he said. "So pretty much everywhere in between is still a possibility now."

Regardless of where Sandy makes landfall in that window, Robichaud says the circulation is large enough to bring some rain and wind to Nova Scotia and parts of Quebec and Ontario.

Robichaud says Sandy will likely be a post-tropical storm by the time it gets anywhere near Atlantic Canada, but shouldn't be taken lightly.

"From time to time you see a post-tropical storm that's more intense than the original tropical storm, and this is one of these cases where it is a very powerful post-tropical storm," he said. **MORE COVERAGE, PAGE 17**

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Blame game played as legislature gets underway

Under the gun.

Premier fends off flood of criticism as House reconvenes



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Premier Darrell Dexter found himself on the defensive during a raucous first day of the legislature's fall session Thursday.

The opposition attacked the premier for what they described as multimillion-dollar corporate handouts, persistent education cuts and the ongoing electoral-boundary controversy.

Argyle MLA Chris d'Entremont came within a hair's width of being removed from question period after a heated exchange with Dexter, where he called for the resignation of Justice Minister and Attorney General Ross Landry over his handling of the boundary commission report.

"For the premier to look for blame everywhere else, all

Quoted

"The premier today is the premier elected to lead Nova Scotians today."

Progressive Conservative Leader Jamie Baillie

he has to do is look over to his right at the minister of justice," said d'Entremont.

While his microphone was off, d'Entremont shouted something at the premier that included "Why don't you learn how to be a premier."

After a third and final request from the Speaker to retract the statement, d'Entremont took back the remarks.

Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil got the first crack at the premier, accusing Dexter of giving hundreds of millions of dollars to corporations at the expense of education.

"How can the premier justify gutting education for writing big cheques for big business?" said McNeil.



Premier Darrell Dexter laughs at a joke during the first day of the fall sitting in the legislature on Thursday.

JEFF HARPER/METRO

Citing his government's funding of the Port Hawkesbury paper mill, Dexter said the move saved more than 1,000 rural jobs. It was also a decision, he said, based on principle, not

politics.

"If he had his way they'd be shutting off the lights in rural Nova Scotia," Dexter said of McNeil.

Progressive Conservative

Leader Jamie Baillie slammed the premier for the government's renewable-energy strategy, further criticizing it for not considering the province's wealth of natural gas.

Opposition cries foul over electoral 'damage control'



Liberal justice critic Michel Samson

JEFF HARPER/METRO

Premier Darrell Dexter shrugged off Opposition accusations Thursday that his government is interfering with the work of an independent commission to protect a cabinet minister from electoral defeat.

The case involves a bid by the Electoral Boundaries Commission to redraw the province's electoral map to ensure voters are afforded equal representation in the legislative assembly — a process that is carried out every 10 years to reflect population changes.

After the commission sub-

mitted its third draft of a new electoral map — following months of wrangling over the rights of minority groups — voters in the district of Shelburne said they were stunned to learn their riding had been cut in half without public consultation.

Dexter said that was unfair.

"People in Shelburne didn't see this coming," Dexter said outside the legislature. "They were told that their riding was going to be kept intact. They didn't get a chance to address that on their own."

The riding is held by Fisheries Minister Sterling Belliveau, who was put in the politically awkward position of criticizing the proposed changes in a government bill that was tabled Thursday.

As questions swirled about Belliveau's showdown with his own government, Justice Minister Ross Landry announced the legislature's law amendments committee would be dispatched to Shelburne to seek public reaction to the proposed changes.

"The people of Shelburne didn't get their say," Landry

said outside the legislature. "We're trying to listen, hear and understand the different perspectives."

Liberal justice critic Michel Samson was quick to accuse Dexter of politicizing the process.

"This is complete damage control," he said. "It's clearly political. With all of the concerns there are in Nova Scotia, (the premier) seems to only have the attention of Shelburne. That's because he's got a cabinet minister who now sees his future in doubt."

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Loving local. Residents can reap riches at City Harvest

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From back-door takeout to special promotions and contests, City Harvest boasts a wealth of enticements to get shoppers out of chain stores.

"We're taking two versions of harvest: One is the literal farm harvest and showcasing that through restaurants and the market," said I Love Local HFX founder Gord Stevens. "The other is the shopping harvest, with all the stores full and ready to go for Christmas."

Stevens says the event is meant to promote local-

ly owned businesses and strengthen ties between them and the community.

"The message I gave the businesses is, get to know your neighbours, whether that be business neighbours or community neighbours," he said.

Thousands of people turned out for the first I Love Local HFX event, Open City, last May.

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO

Online

Details on City Harvest are available online at ilovelocalhfx.ca.

Random? No arrests made in shooting of SUV

Halifax police say they have no suspects after gunshots were fired at a moving SUV on Chain Lake Drive.

Police say at about 10 p.m. Wednesday, a witness heard about four of five shots before seeing the SUV speeding away in the wrong direction.

The vehicle was found a short time later at a nearby home, and had been hit in the back by several bullets.

"We don't believe this was a random incident," said Halifax Regional Police spokesman Const. Pierre Bourdages. "We are still try-

Passengers

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There were two males inside the SUV shot at, but neither was hurt.

ing to determine exactly what transpired there and what happened."

Police say it looks like the shots were fired from a small beige car — possibly a Honda — at the corner of Suzie Lake Crescent and Chain Lake.

PHILIP CROUCHER/METRO

Sydney River

Cape Breton man stabbed during altercation

Cape Breton Regional Police have arrested a 56-year-old man in connection with a stabbing.

Police say someone called

911 on Wednesday night to report that a man had been stabbed during an altercation in Sydney River. Police say it happened outside a business in the Kings Road area.

Spokeswoman Desiree Vassallo says the 36-year-old victim was treated in hospital for non-life-threatening injuries and released.

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An excited group of Hal-Con goers show off their costumes in front of the World Trade and Convention Centre. The event runs from Friday thru until Sunday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Hal-Con is no mere flight of fantasy

Convention. Annual event showcases increasingly mainstream genres



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Do you need tips on surviving a zombie apocalypse? Want to gripe about the liberties HBO is taking with the Game of Thrones plot? Want to growl "No one tosses a dwarf!" at Gimli himself?

All three desires can be fulfilled at Hal-Con this weekend.

The third annual sci-fi, comic and fantasy convention is underway at the World Trade and Convention Centre Friday through Sunday, celebrating everything from graphic novels to role-playing games to the resurgence of steampunk.

"Basically, if you have any kind of geek thing you're into, you will find at least five people here to share it with," said Hal-Con spokesperson Cassie Williams. The convention will feature John Rhys-Davies, of the Indiana Jones and Lord of the Rings movie trilogies; Rene Auberjonois of Star Trek: Deep Space Nine; and best-selling author R.A. Salvatore.

Williams says she'd recommend a panel discussion to anyone coming to Hal-Con for the first time.

"The panels are really cool: There's an X-Files panel, a Haven panel, a Dr. Who panel," she said. "Zombies are also really big right now."

Contending with flesh-eating fiends is the topic of Alex Hall's seminar on Saturday and Sunday. The manager of Quantum Frontier Games & Comics on Robie Street is an authority on surviving zombie apocalypses, emphasizing a well-rounded skill set, 72-hour emergency kit — and keeping your head on.

"My No. 1 goal is to always get people to think about what they're doing," he said. "My catchphrase in everything that I do now is, 'Don't be an ass; use common sense.'"

Online: hal-con.ca

- **What.** Hal-Con sci-fi, comic & fantasy convention
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Power-exec bonus plan 'too late': Opposition

Heated debate.

McNeil and Baillie say legislation to save taxpayers money doesn't go far enough



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The opposition parties say the province's plan to take Nova

Scotia Power customers off the hook from covering the cost of executive bonuses comes too late.

Under legislation introduced by Energy Minister Charlie Parker on Thursday, executive salaries at the private company would be capped at a level similar to that of a provincial deputy minister and bonuses would have to be covered by shareholders, not ratepayers.

Liberal Leader Stephen Mc-

Neil and Conservative Leader Jamie Baillie credited their parties for previously introducing the idea.

"I feel like the student who has had his homework copied, but that's OK," Baillie told reporters.

The plan would also require Nova Scotia Power to file multi-year rate applications, which Parker says will cut the costs of hearings at the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board.

The government says the

Salary

\$398,000

The salary of Rob Bennett, Nova Scotia Power's president and chief executive officer, was \$398,000 last year, according to a regulatory filing in May with the province's Utility and Review Board.

cost of a rate hearing can reach \$2 million. The legislation would also block additional rate increases until at least

2015.

The bill is seen as a response to a public backlash over rising electricity rates.

"People are telling me that it's not fair that executives at Nova Scotia Power have had their bonuses and salaries paid for by ratepayers when there are families struggling to make ends meet, and I agree," Parker said in a statement Thursday.

Parker promised to bring in the legislation last month.

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Energy Minister Charlie Parker inside the House of Assembly on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Internal audit

Province to hire auditors to review Health Department funding

Nova Scotia's Health Department says it will hire seven internal auditors in an effort to ensure funds are well spent.

The department says the auditors will support the province's district health authorities and the IWK Health Centre, which received \$1.6 billion in funding this year.

Sherri Aikenhead, a spokeswoman for the department, says it will cost \$744,000 to hire the auditors.

She says the money would come from existing budgets.

The department says the positions are expected to be filled by 2014-15.

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Transit changes

Regulator approves application to replace Acadian Coach Lines

Nova Scotia's regulator has approved an application from P.E.I.-based Tri-Maritime Bus Network Inc. to replace Acadian Coach Lines.

The Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board also approved Acadian's plan to abandon its intercity bus routes in the Maritimes effective Dec. 1.

The board says under the approved application Maritime Bus will maintain runs between Sydney and Halifax, as well as between Halifax and Amherst and service into the other Maritime provinces.

Maritime Bus is to take over the service on Dec. 1 with its existing fleet of 42 buses.

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Crime

'Black Widow' case due in court Friday

The case of a woman known as the "Black Widow" who is charged with the attempted murder of her husband is due in court Friday.

Crown attorney Dan MacRury says Melissa Ann Weeks will appear in Sydney provincial court via a video link from a Dartmouth correctional facility.

Her lawyer, Michael Kuna, confirmed she would

not appear in court, but didn't provide further details.

The 77-year-old was charged earlier this month with administering a noxious thing to Fred Weeks, whom she had married just a few days earlier.

The 75-year-old widower, who was sent to hospital after becoming ill at a bed and breakfast in Sydney last month, was found to have benzodiazepine in his system, according to court documents.

The accused was convicted of manslaughter in the death of a previous husband. THE CANADIAN PRESS

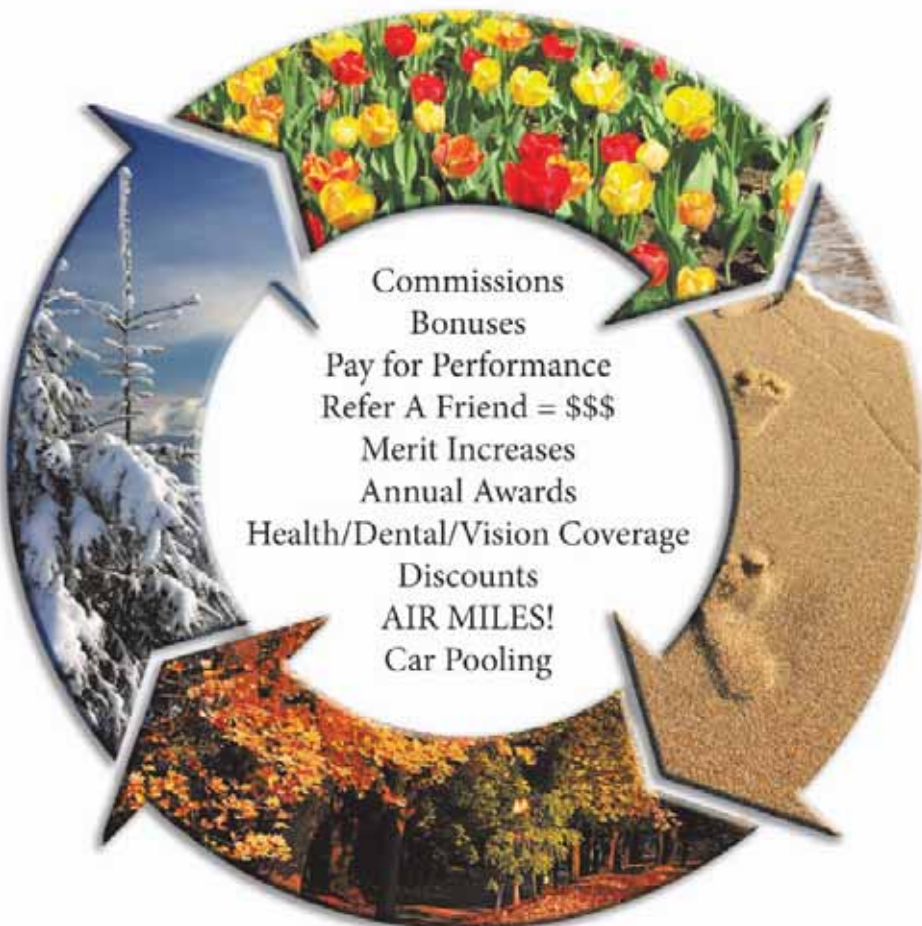


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U.S. President Barack Obama speaks at a campaign rally, Wednesday, in Las Vegas. Republican Mitt Romney is inching closer to the incumbent as polls show a fall in Obama's support among women. JULIE JACOBSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Obama losing ground among female voters

Presidential race.

New poll shows more
women trust Romney
with helping turn
economy around

A hoarse U.S. President Barack Obama swung into a second day of a campaigning blitz in a narrowing race while a new Associated Press-GfK poll shows he has ceded his 16-point advantage among women, a surprising drop among a key group that is crucial to his winning a second term.

The poll also shows Republican challenger Mitt Romney is favoured by 47 per cent of likely voters to 45 per cent for the



Katy Perry shows support for Obama at a campaign rally in Las Vegas. JULIE JACOBSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

president less than two weeks before Election Day.

Obama's dip in support

among women appeared to reflect a recent drive by Romney to show himself as a more moderate candidate after months of campaigning as a hard-right conservative.

Having gained ground with women, however, Romney's campaign now must deal with the fallout from a comment by a Romney-endorsed Senate candidate in Indiana, who said that when a woman becomes pregnant during a rape, "that's something God intended."

His campaign has said Romney disagreed with what Richard Mourdock said but stood by his endorsement of the Senate candidate. Romney opposes abortion but, unlike Mourdock, supports exceptions in cases of rape or incest.

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300 potential abuse victims of Savile identified: Police

Disgraced BBC entertainer Jimmy Savile was investigated in the 1980s over an allegation of indecent assault, police said Thursday as they announced that 300 potential victims had come forward so far with abuse accusations against the late TV host.

Officers have interviewed 130 of the 300 potential victims so far and even more are expected to contact authorities, Cmdr. Peter Spindler, leader of the Scotland Yard inquiry, said

Thursday.

The well-known children's television and radio presenter is accused of using his fame to coerce vulnerable teens into having sex with him in his car, in his camper van, and even in dressing rooms on BBC premises.

Savile died last October at age 84.

The Savile scandal has rocked the BBC and prompted disbelief that the presenter's crimes could have gone unnoticed or unreported.

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Jimmy Savile
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NYPD. Alleged cannibal cop arrested in FBI sting

Federal authorities say a New York City police officer plotted to kidnap women, rape and torture them and then cook and eat their body parts.

Gilberto Valle was arrested Wednesday in the ghoulish case. He is expected to appear in federal court in Manhattan sometime Thursday.

According to a criminal complaint, the FBI intercepted emails from Valle to an unidentified co-conspirator "discussing plans to kidnap, rape,

torture, kill, cook and eat body parts of a number of women."

No women were actually harmed.

The New York Police Department patrolman lives in Queens. He had been assigned to a Manhattan precinct before being suspended Wednesday.

The name of Valle's attorney was not immediately available. There was no immediate response to a message left with the NYPD.

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Baltimore

Gunman thought NFLer Ray Lewis was out to get him

A man charged in a fatal shooting at a Georgia megachurch said in court documents 10 years ago that he shot a man at a Baltimore mosque because he believed an NFL player was out to get him.

In a psychological evaluation, Floyd Palmer said the 2001 mosque shooting occurred because he believed

the victim and members of his own family were being paid by Baltimore Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis to "get rid of him."

Palmer said his cousin and another man were killed after the 2000 Super Bowl. Lewis was charged in those stabbing deaths but was exonerated.

Palmer was committed to a Maryland psychiatric hospital after being found not criminally responsible for the mosque shooting. A judge released him in 2006, despite objections from prosecutors.

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Conrad Black loses Order of Canada hearing bid

Ruling. Advisory council deciding whether or not former media baron can retain award of distinction

Former media tycoon Conrad Black has lost his bid to force a hearing before the Order of Canada advisory council.

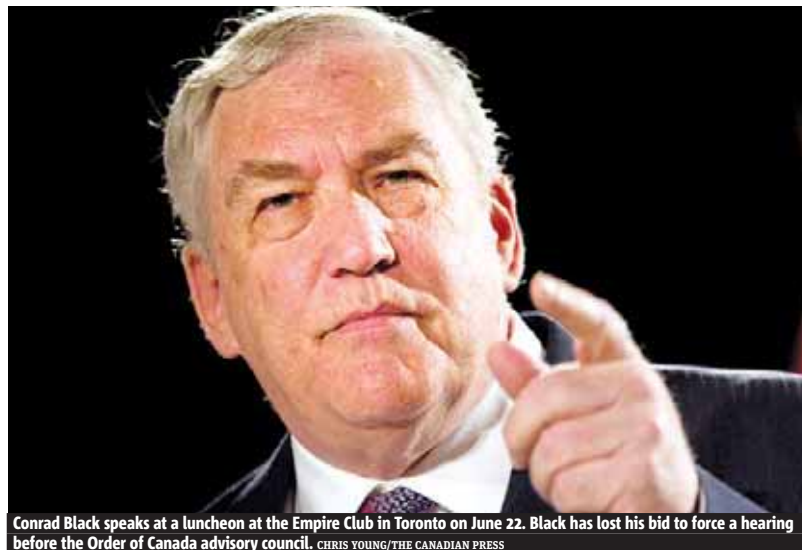
The council is deciding whether to recommend he be stripped of his 1990 honour after being convicted of fraud and obstruction of justice in the United States.

Black wanted to take his case in person, but the council refused. Federal Court on Thursday said it would not interfere.

In its ruling, the court said the council's refusal is not immune from judicial review but that procedural fairness and natural justice do not require an oral hearing.

The court said Black can make his arguments for keeping the honour in writing.

Meanwhile, an American court has fined Black \$6.1 mil-



Conrad Black speaks at a luncheon at the Empire Club in Toronto on June 22. Black has lost his bid to force a hearing before the Order of Canada advisory council. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

lion for violating securities laws.

The fine relates to Black's tenure at Hollinger International Inc. based in Chicago.

In his judgment earlier this month, Judge William Hart of

the District Court for the Northern District of Illinois blasted Black as "intransigent."

Hart was especially unhappy with Black's denunciation of the courts and justice system in a book he has written.

Black, who spent three years in prison for fraud and obstruction of justice, has requested a stay of the judgment while he appeals related convictions.

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A woman cries in front of her flooded house in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Thursday. Hurricane Sandy is blamed for killing a man and two women who were trying to cross storm-swollen rivers in Haiti. DIEU NALIO CHERY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hurricane hits Bahamas, Cuba

Hurricane Sandy. The Category 2 hurricane is expected to reach the U.S. next week; the east coast could be blasted by super storm

A weakened Hurricane Sandy lashed the central Bahamas late Thursday with violent winds and torrential rains, after raging through the Caribbean where it caused at least 21 deaths and forced postponement of a hearing at the Guantanamo naval base on Cuba.

The Category 2 hurricane killed four people elsewhere

in the Caribbean, and forecasters warned it will likely cause a super storm in the U.S. next week, mixing with a winter storm whose effects will be felt along the entire East Coast from Florida to Maine and inland to Ohio.

The hurricane was located about 40 kilometres east of Great Exuma Island early Thursday afternoon and it was moving north with maximum sustained winds of 105 mph. Sandy was blamed for the death of an elderly man in Jamaica who was killed when a boulder crashed into his clapboard house. A man and two women died while trying to cross storm-swollen rivers in southwestern Haiti.

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Sandy's remains

The storm is projected to hit New Jersey with tropical storm-force winds on Tuesday.

- There's a 90 per cent chance that most of the U.S. East Coast will get steady gale-force winds, flooding, heavy rain and maybe snow starting Sunday and stretching past Wednesday.
- It might bring storm conditions to the southeast Florida coast, the Upper Keys and Florida Bay by Friday morning.

Drug war casualties? Six bullet-ridden bodies dumped near Mexico City

Police found the naked, bullet-ridden bodies of five men and one woman Friday dumped on a street on the outskirts of Mexico City.

The prosecutor's office in Mexico State, which adjoins Mexico City, said the victims were between the ages of 20 and 25.

The possible motives in the slayings were still under investigation.

Mexico City has largely been spared the drug-fueled violence that has resulted in massacres in other parts of the country, and none of the

hand-lettered signs that accompany drug-gang slayings were found at the scene. On Thursday, Mexican authorities fired a judge accused of improperly dismissing charges or releasing suspects in drug cartel cases.

The Federal Judiciary Council said it fired district Judge Efraim Cazares for "serious offences in his judicial duties." He had been suspended in June. Cazares was accused of ignoring credible evidence when he released mayors detained in drug arrests. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

UN. Call for boycott of firms having dealings with Israeli settlements in West Bank

The UN special investigator on human rights in the Palestinian territories called Wednesday for a boycott of all companies that have dealings with Israeli settlements in the West Bank and East Jerusalem until they adhere to international rights standards and practices.

Israel and the U.S. quickly rejected Richard Falk's report, accusing the UN special rapporteur of bias against Israel and calling for his removal.

In a report presented to the UN General Assembly,

Houston

Uproar as Picasso vandal gets his own art show

A Houston art gallery has raised the ire of the local art community by staging a show of works by a 22-year-old who's been on the lam since being charged with spray-painting a Picasso painting.

Despite the uproar, Cueto James Art Gallery owner James Perez expects a full house for Friday's opening of 12 works by Uriel Landeros. He was charged with felony graffiti and felony criminal mischief for allegedly defacing Woman in a Red Armchair at Houston's Menil Collection on June 13.

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New York City

Illegal sports betting arrests

Twenty five people in five U.S. states have been indicted in New York City on charges they operated an illegal sports betting business that took in \$50 million in 18 months.

The defendants include the manager of a legal sports book at a Nevada casino and three owners of the popular Pinnacle Sports gambling website.

Arrests took place Wednesday in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Nevada and California.

Queens prosecutors say gamblers placed bets over the phone and at least four websites.

They say the conspirators tried to evade detection by processing the bets through offshore computer servers and using couriers to transport profits to and from Panama and Costa Rica.

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Activists in Ramallah call for boycott of settlement products. AP PHOTO

Falk said a number of companies from the U.S., Europe and Mexico are exploiting Palestinian resources.

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Correctional Service an 'abuser,' lawyer tells court

Ashley Smith inquest.

Judge rejected the government's request to stop the probe into teenager's death in jail

With one court challenge out of the way, the inquest into the prison death of teenager Ashley Smith is now expected to carry on next week.

The government's failed attempt at stopping the inquest proceedings has angered Smith's family.

Their lawyer says Correctional Service Canada is out of control.

Prison officials don't want the public to see disturbing surveillance video of Smith's treatment before her choking death five years ago.

However, a Divisional Court judge rejected their bid for an emergency stay.

The inquest is expected to resume on Oct. 31.

The decision to continue with the inquest came amid assertions prison authorities



Ashley Smith is shown in this video image. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quoted

"I insist on Correctional Services being called an abuser."

Lawyer Julian Falconer, who represents Ashley Smith's family, speaking at a court hearing before Justice Joan Lax

were simply trying to cover up the horrific treatment meted out to Smith that was captured on video.

In a ruling that took about an hour to decide, Divisional Court Justice Joan Lax dismissed the stay motion.

Correctional Service Can-



Lawyer Julian Falconer outside the coroner's court. COLIN PERKEL/THE CANADIAN PRESS

ada asked for the emergency halt to the much-delayed inquest to give it time to get the courts to review a ruling by the presiding coroner that the videos should be public.

The videos at issue show, among other things, guards

duct-taping Smith to an airplane seat and forcibly injecting her with "chemical restraints" against her will. Family lawyer Julian Falconer accused the government of trying to put a lid on abuse videos.

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Omnibus budget bill. Tories move to limit debate on legislation

Just one week after introducing it, the Conservative government is moving to fast-track its controversial omnibus budget bill.

The House of Commons passed a motion Thursday to impose time allocation on Bill C-45, essentially limiting how long it can be debated by members of parliament.

"They've introduced a law and then right away they introduce time allocation," interim Liberal leader Bob Rae said after the motion passed. "I think it's pretty strange and pretty bizarre."

"I don't find it a normal way to conduct public business to introduce a time-allocation bill

Controversy

It's the second omnibus bill the Conservatives have introduced to implement last March's budget.

- The first bill triggered an opposition filibuster that brought parliament to a near standstill.

almost simultaneously with the introduction of the law."

The Conservatives have agreed to let nine committees examine the first bill.

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Brothels

Top court to review prostitution laws

The Supreme Court of Canada is willing to take a look at the country's main laws controlling prostitution.

The court said Thursday it will hear a government appeal of a ruling striking

down the ban on brothels.

Ontario's top court had ruled the ban on bawdy houses increased the dangers prostitutes face because it forces them to work outside. The Ontario court also upheld a ban on soliciting and reworded the law against living on the avails of prostitution.

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Wounded activist girl will return home: Father

Malala Yousufzai.
15-year-old shot for advocating education for Pakistani girls recovering in England

The father of a 15-year-old Pakistani activist girl who was shot and wounded by a Taliban gunman vowed Thursday that she would return home after finishing medical treatment abroad despite new insurgent threats against her.

Since she was shot on Oct. 9 in northwestern Pakistan, Malala has become a hero both at home and internationally, although her work in speaking out against Taliban atrocities and advocating for girls' education has long been respected and known beyond her native Swat Valley.

The comments by her father, Ziauddin Yousufzai, were recorded by Pakistani state television. He's expected to fly soon to Britain to see his daughter and it was the first time he has spoken publicly since the shooting.

At the age of 11, Malala began writing a blog under a pseudonym for the BBC about life under the Taliban in Swat. After the military ousted the militants in 2009, she began publicly speaking out about the need for girls' education. She appeared frequently in the media and was given one of the country's highest civilian honours for her bravery.

A Taliban gunman shot her in the neck and head as she was in a school bus on her way home from school in the Swat Valley city of Mingora. Two other girls were injured.

She was airlifted to a hospital in Britain on Oct. 15. The Taliban have vowed to kill her, raising questions about whether it would be safe for her to return, but her father dispelled reports the family might seek asylum abroad.

"I first laughed at it because all of our sacrifices, my personal (sacrifices), or this attack on my daughter, cannot have such a cheap purpose that we would go to some other country and live the rest of our life there," he said, speaking in Urdu.

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An undated photo showing 15-year-old shooting victim Malala Yousufzai recovering in hospital in Birmingham, England. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Finger-pointing

Iran leader blames Israel, U.S. for Syrian civil war

Iran's Supreme Leader is blaming the U.S. and Israel for the bloody, 19-month civil war in Syria.

Ayatollah Ali Khamenei also warns Western powers not to intervene in the conflict.

In his message to Muslims performing the annual hajj pilgrimage to Mecca, he char-

ges that the civil war, which he characterized as "young Muslims killing each other," is a "crime initiated by the United States and the Zionist regime, Israel," punishing Syria for resisting Israeli occupation and supporting anti-Israel Palestinian and Lebanese groups.

His statement was read Thursday on Iranian state TV.

Iran has been a close ally of Syria for decades. It has staunchly supported the regime of President Bashar Assad during the civil war.

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Strained partnership

Two U.S. troops killed in apparent insider attack in Afghanistan

A man in an Afghan police uniform shot and killed two American service members Thursday, in what appeared to be the latest in a rash of attacks on international forces this year by their Afghan partners.

The so-called insider attacks have stretched to the

breaking point a partnership that U.S. and NATO officials consider a key part of their exit plan — preparing the Afghans to take over responsibility for their country's security in just over two years' time.

It was the second suspected insider attack in two days. On Wednesday, two British service members and an Afghan police officer were killed in an "exchange of gunfire" in Helmand province, the British Ministry of Defence said in a statement.

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Britain honours bomb-sniffing dog who died in Afghanistan

Dickin Medal. Theo suffered a fatal seizure hours after his handler was killed in a firefight in March last year

A bomb-sniffing army dog who died in Afghanistan on the day his handler was

killed has been honoured with Britain's highest award for animal bravery.

Springer spaniel mix Theo was posthumously awarded the Dickin Medal on Thursday at a ceremony in London.

Theo worked for five months in Afghanistan with Royal Army Veterinary Corps Lance-Cpl. Liam Task-

er, searching out roadside bombs.

Tasker was killed in a firefight with insurgents in Helmand Province in March 2011. Theo suffered a fatal seizure hours later at a British army base, likely brought about by stress.

The soldier and his dog were brought back to Britain on the same military flight.

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Lance-Cpl. Liam Tasker's bomb-sniffing dog, Theo, who died in Afghanistan on the day his handler was killed, has been honoured with Britain's highest award for animal bravery. CONTRIBUTED/MOD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

London. Two Olympians appeal for help after bronze medals stolen

Two British Olympians appealed Thursday for help in recovering a pair of bronze medals that were snatched from a London nightclub, while police reported an arrest in the case.

Rower Alex Partridge and field hockey star Hannah Macleod earned the medals at the 2012 London Olympics.

The thefts reportedly occurred at the Mahiki nightclub, where the athletes went following a reception at Buckingham Palace hosted by Queen Elizabeth II in honour of Britain's Olympic team.

"I'm absolutely gutted that my Olympic bronze medal has been stolen," Macleod said in a statement. "Winning

it in August was an incredible highlight for me, and for this to have happened is simply shattering."

Macleod was a member of the women's team that defeated New Zealand, 3-1.

"While it means everything to me, it has no value to anyone else, and I just hope that whoever took it can hand it in or leave it somewhere that means I can get it back," she said.

Partridge, a member of the men's eight rowing team, said his team blazer was also taken.

Police said a 29-year-old man had been arrested and was being questioned.

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Prince George, B.C.

Moose attacks police cruiser

An RCMP officer suffered a bruised left shoulder in an uncomfortably close encounter with a moose.

The officer was writing a report in his car in Prince George, B.C., on Thursday

when a bull moose, crossing an intersection with his mate, rammed the front of the police cruiser before climbing over the hood and onto the roof. The moose was stomping the roof when one of its hooves shattered the driver's side window and hit the officer.

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Halloween comes early

Colin the red-ruffed lemur plays with a carved pumpkin at Bristol Zoo in England on Thursday. ANDREW MATTHEWS/PA WIRE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Human-rights group probes its own ties to sweatshop

Fundraising irony. Museum reviews allegations against garment maker and reports of worker intimidation

Officials with the Canadian Museum for Human Rights are looking into whether some of their fundraising T-shirts are connected to sweatshops in developing countries.

The government-funded museum has been selling T-shirts made in Honduras, El Salvador and other countries in an attempt to raise money before the facility's 2014 opening date.

A report by Global News this week showed that some of the T-shirts were made by Gildan, a Montreal-based clothing manufacturer with factories in Central America, the Caribbean and Asia. Gildan has been criticized by the Workers Rights Consortium, an independent group that alleges Gildan has resorted to threats, intimidation and firings to prevent workers from unionizing.

A Gildan spokesperson told Global News the company respects workers rights and has taken steps to address the consortium's concerns.

Angela Cassie, a spokesperson for the human-rights museum, said a review of



The Canadian Museum for Human Rights at the Forks in Winnipeg.
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the matter is underway.

"We are speaking with many of our suppliers, and ... with this particular merchandise, if we find that it does not respect or comply with our standards, then we'll take action as appropriate," Cassie said Thursday.

Cassie pointed out that Gildan has been certified by the Fair Labour Association, a U.S.-based group that seeks to have companies voluntarily comply with labour standards.

Part of the museum's review will be to determine whether that certification is meaningful.

Cassie defended the museum's overall use of suppliers in developing countries. Some suppliers are small shops that help social causes, such as a women's collective in El Salvador.

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Political hunger pains

Two demonstrating refugees from Iran try to keep warm during a hunger strike in front of the Brandenburg Gate Thursday in Berlin. The demonstrators, predominantly from Iran, Afghanistan and Iraq say they will continue their strike until the German government responds to their demands for a halt to deportations and faster processing of asylum applications. ADAM BERRY/GETTY IMAGES

California

It's a bird! It's a plane! No, sorry, it's actually a shark

Golf-club employees in Southern California came to the rescue when a shark dropped out of the sky and dropped onto the 12th tee.

San Juan Hills Golf Club operations director Melissa McCormack says a course marshal found the leopard shark Monday afternoon and brought it to the clubhouse.

It had puncture wounds where it appeared a bird had snagged it from the nearby Pacific Ocean.

They stuck the approximately one-kilogram shark into fresh water before somebody remembered it came from the sea, so they got some sea salt from the kitchen and mixed it in.

Another employee rushed the shark to the ocean where McCormack says it was very still for a few seconds before twisting around and speeding off.

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Honduras

Top cop feels the heat after reforms

The head of Honduras' National Police says he is facing an internal uprising over the suspension of high-ranking officers in his campaign to clean up a corruption-plagued department in a country with one of the world's highest murder rates.

His opponents accuse Chief Juan Carlos Bonilla of firing his rivals, including

those who signed a 2004 evaluation saying Bonilla was suffering from severe anxiety and needed hospital care and psychotherapy.

That same year, Bonilla, nicknamed "the Tiger," was acquitted on a murder charge after the department's internal affairs office accused him of running a death squad when he was a top regional police official. One top police official told at least 30 officers have been meeting for several weeks to take measures to get rid of Bonilla. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Microsoft's reset button

Launching new tablet and Windows 8.
Touch-enabled interface a standout feature of the company's newest operating system

For a company that has launched products with Ringo Starr, Paul McCartney and Jay Leno — and has even paid to light up the Empire State Building in its signature colours — Microsoft's unveiling of Windows 8 on Thursday was a subdued affair.

Windows 8 is Microsoft's radical reimagining of its ubiquitous operating system. What makes it vastly different from past Windows releases is that it's designed from the ground up to work on touch-enabled PCs and tablet computers. Microsoft is also making its own tablet computer, the Surface, marking the first time that it will manufacture a general-purpose computer. Both the Surface and Windows 8 will go on sale Friday.

For the event, Microsoft dressed up a cavernous former bus depot on a floating pier jutting from Manhattan



John Eversole, a marketing manager for Microsoft, uses Windows 8 during an event unveiling the operating system Thursday. Inset: A Microsoft engineer proudly displays his temporary tattoos with the company's logo at the event where the launch of the company's new Surface tablet was also heralded. ELAINE THOMPSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

into the Hudson River. Improvised siding shielded the roughly 500 reporters and other guests from the sight of a ruined pier to the south.

This time, with no rock stars in attendance, Microsoft executives took the stage to introduce an array of Windows 8 desktops, laptops and tablet computers made by AsusTek Computer Inc., Dell Inc., Samsung Electron-

ics Co. and others.

Instead of raising expectations, Microsoft Corp. did what it could to reset them. In recent days, some reviewers have panned Microsoft's Surface tablet. Others have criticized the dearth of apps in the Windows Store, the new online store where customers can buy apps that will work on the current model of the Surface and

other devices that use the streamlined version of the new operating system, called Windows RT.

"The Windows Store has more apps than any competing app store had at its opening," said Steven Sinofsky, president of Windows and Windows Live, in a thinly veiled reference to Apple Inc.'s iPad.

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Lawsuit. Drugs OK past expiry date, group alleges

Three big drug multinationals are bilking billions of dollars from consumers by telling them to throw away still good but expired headache and cold pills, three class-action lawsuits allege.

The lawsuits, filed in Missouri, target Bayer Healthcare for Bayer Aspirin, Pfizer for Advil and Johnson & Johnson and McNeil-PPC for Tylenol Cold Multi-Symptom medications.

"If stored properly, these medications can and do remain chemical stable, safe and ef-



Aspirin, made by Bayer.
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fective long after those dates," each of the lawsuits alleges.

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Ring, ring. Telecom watchdog says errors on cell bills are common

A telecom watchdog group says routine errors on cellphone bills continue to be a major headache for consumers, who often complained they were charged too much. A report by the Commissioner for Complaints for Telecommunications Services finds consumers also say they weren't given discounts or credits promised or their contracts didn't

reflect the services they thought they were getting.

The non-profit group helps settle disputes between consumers and telecom service providers. It handled almost 11,000 complaints for 2011 to 2012 — a 35 per cent increase from the previous year. The complaints included wireless, local and long-distance and Internet services.

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Air Canada

New union leaders

Air Canada's pilots have selected new leaders to oversee the 3,000-member union, a few months after losing an arbitration ruling that imposed a new agreement with the country's largest airline.

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Changing industry

Big publishing houses just talking?

British publishing and education company Pearson PLC says it is in talks with German media group Bertelsmann SE over merging the firms' Penguin and Random

House publishing operations. Pearson said Thursday it "is discussing with Bertelsmann a possible combination of Penguin and Random House" but added that there is no certainty the talks will lead to a transaction. Pearson is publisher of the Financial Times and Penguin Group books. Bertelsmann's assets include the RTL Group

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Survey

BMO prediction

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Is that wheat-straw-waste paper you're holding, Ms. Vergara? Actor Woody Harrelson is the front man for a plan to convert agricultural crop waste into paper in Canada. KEVIN WINTER/GETTY IMAGES/FILE

Woody talks wood: Actor backs Prairie eco-paper company

Green guy. Known for his strict vegan diet and support for anything hemp, Harrelson said he wants to save trees

Actor Woody Harrelson has played every character from a gullible bartender to an irascible porn publisher to the drunken hero in *The Hunger Games*, but in real life he wants to be a paper industry revolutionary who saves forests from chainsaws.

Harrelson, on the phone from Atlanta, Ga., where he's filming the sequel to

The Hunger Games and reprising his role as the heavy drinking Haymitch Abernathy, says his support of Manitoba-based Prairie Pulp and Paper Inc., is not an act.

Prairie Pulp and Paper Inc. produces paper made from waste wheat straw and Harrelson said he wants to get in on the movement that will see North America's first non-wood pulp-and-paper mill set up in Manitoba.

"When we build a plant there in Manitoba, it's going to be 100-per-cent wood free ... really from agricultural waste," said Harrelson, a two-time Academy Award nominee. "I'd like

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to see a revolution in the paper industry and I think this is an important part of that process."

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Payroll survey

Canadian jobs on the rise: StatsCan

Canada's surprisingly-strong job growth of the past two months got validation Thursday from data showing employers added 45,500 workers in August.

The news comes from the seldom-reported payroll survey of companies that Statistics Canada conducts alongside its better-known labour market survey of households, which determines the country's unemployment rate.

The employers survey showed jobs have been added at a pace almost twice that tracked by the household report.

The survey also showed that average weekly earnings of non-farm payroll employees rose 3.6 per cent in the past year to \$907.19.

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Working hard? Maybe less than you think, new research suggests

So you think you're over-worked?

Researchers at University of Maryland aren't calling you a liar, but their research indicates you're probably stretching the truth about how many hours you spend on the job.

According to their study, published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employed people regularly overestimate time spent working by five to 10 per cent, with people claiming to log the longest hours most likely to overstate their workload.

Sociology professors John P. Robinson and Steven Martin calculated the gap by asking workers to estimate how many hours they work in a week, then having those same workers fill out a daily log breaking

down how they spend every hour of every day. The report explains that the diary eliminates guess work because every day the total number of hours has to equal 24.

When forced to pay closer attention to how much time they actually spent working, respondents reported working less.

The women surveyed estimated they spent 38.4 hours per week working, but reported spending only 34.8 hours a week in their diaries. Among men estimates averaged roughly 44 hours, while actual time worked totalled closer to 41.

Why the exaggeration? Because we all want to believe we're hard-working, researchers hypothesize.

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THE LIST
Neil Morton
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1 **Thrill The World.** Thousands of people in cities around the planet are partaking in Thrill the World on Oct. 27, an annual fundraiser for various humanitarian causes where participants re-enact the dance moves of Michael Jackson's Thriller at the same time. Many Canadian cities are participating as well. Visit thrilltheworld.com for info.

2 **Tim Hortons flashers.** The morning line for your double-double might soon move a little more quickly as the touchless debit-payment system Interac Flash is rolling out at 2,300 Tim Hortons locations across Canada by the end of this month, allowing you to put your card in front of a scanner to pay directly from your bank account. Because typing your pin number just takes too long.

3 **@CanadianProbz.** Canada is the best country anywhere, but we do have problems here. And the Twitter account @CanadianProbz with 125,000 followers points to some of them. Like "Not enough Beaver Tail locations #canadianprobz." Or "When Tims is out of your favourite donut < #canadianprobz." For more problem gems, give them a follow, eh?

4 **Koodonation.com.** Starting Nov. 5, you can team up with your fave Canadian university or college on Koodonation.com — an online micro-volunteering community — and strive to do the most good deeds online, with the reward being a \$35,000 contribution to the winning school's Canadian charity of choice. Pretty cool grassroots initiative that teaches community engagement.

5 **Trademarking Tebowing.** The NY Jets QB is trademarking Tebowing, the move where he goes down on one knee and holds a clenched fist against his forehead while praying during games. Tebow says he's doing it to "make sure it's used in the right way." I am considering trademarking "the Neil," a signature move where I kneel down and pray at awkward moments for no reason.

6 **Lance Armstrong.** The governing body of cycling stripped him of his seven Tour de France titles after a widespread doping scandal was revealed by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, which has also banned him for life from the sport. This tarnishes Armstrong's image, true, but doesn't change the fact he beat cancer and created the charity Livestrong, which has raised so many millions for cancer research.

7 **Take them a meal.** A good friend of mine was recently diagnosed with breast cancer, and a link for TakeThemAMeal.com service was sent around. It's a popular online tool — over four million people have used it — to co-ordinate the delivery of meals to someone who is in need, giving friends, family, neighbours and co-workers an easy way to help out. Oh, and it's free. Spread the word.

8 **iPad Mini.** Apple introduced its pencil-thin iPad Mini this week, priced at \$329, adding another high-quality device to an already-crowded seven-inch-tablet market. For other tablet developers, that does leave more room in the six-inch market — or if you really want to go big, eight inches. No insecurities there, right?

9 **John Farrell.** The Jays traded their manager to the Boston Red Sox for a player, infielder Mike Aviles. Good riddance, Farrell, who basically did nothing for the Jays in two years and used the team as an internship of sorts. Now can we trade in general manager Alex Anthopoulos for Pat Gillick, the GM who guided the Jays to back-to-back World Series titles in 1992 and 1993?

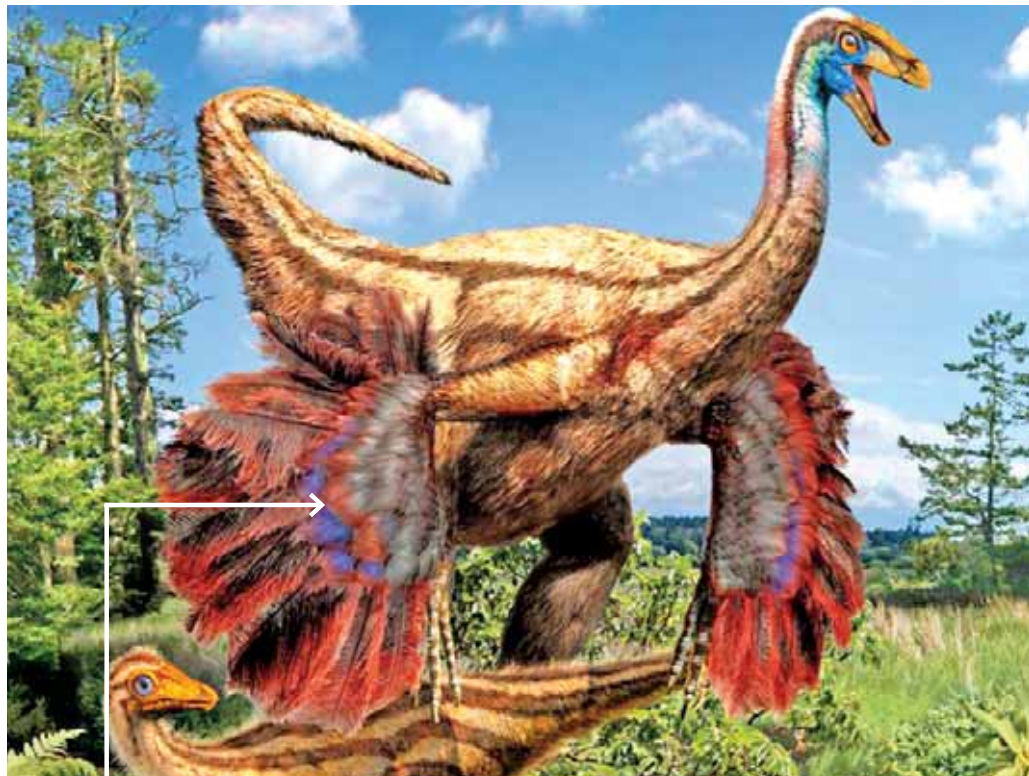
10 **Stephen Harper photo-bomb.** In a rare moment of spontaneity, the prime minister stepped out of his car with security detail and posed with a wedding party as they were taking photos at scenic Rockcliffe Parkway in Ottawa earlier this week. Or was it spontaneous? Here's what his advisers might have said: "Steve, great photo op man. Crash their wedding photos! This thing will go viral dude, LOL."

11 **Neil Young Twitter Q & A.** @neilyoung was rockin' in the (Twitter) free world on Wednesday, hosting a fun live Q & A with his fans in conjunction with the release of his new album, *Psychedelic Pill*. He chimed in on everything from music to the NHL lockout, answering "money money money money money money" to the Q: thoughts on the NHL lockout?

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Alberta discovery

Feathers possibly used for courtship

A set of 70-million-year-old fossils found in Alberta has added weight to theories that dinosaurs may have first sprouted feathers to show off, not take off.

Darla Zelenitsky, a paleontologist at the University of Calgary, says three years of study on dinosaur fossils found near Drumheller, Alta., suggest that the features most closely linked with flight evolved for a completely different reason.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fossil find leads to theory

"These wing-like structures would have been used for reproductive activities (courtship, display, brooding) and were only later ... co-opted for other roles including flight."

From a paper published Thursday in the journal *Science*

Dinosaur dig

- The fossils — the oldest feathered dinosaurs ever found — are from three members of the species *Ornithomimus edmontonicus* (pictured above in an artistic reconstruction), an agile, two-legged dinosaur that looked like a large ostrich and most likely lived off a mixed diet of leaves, eggs and small animals.

- At about 150 kilograms, the dinosaur was too big to fly. The fossils also suggest real feathers didn't grow until adulthood.

Flexing their feathers

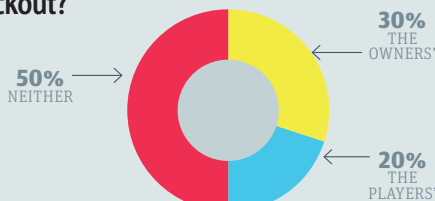
"Because they're in these large dinosaurs, (wings) haven't evolved for flight.... (And) because these wing-like structures develop later in life, that suggests they were used for purposes like display or courtship or egg-brooding."

Darla Zelenitsky
A paleontologist at the University of Calgary



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Whose side are you taking in the NHL lockout?



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@Jeffdthompson:

Just had some AWESOME jerk chicken from @Caribbean_Twist

@TheDrake1001:

Freezing to rather pleasant day out there in #Halifax. Gotta love the fall weather here.



You may find yourself playing a Where's Waldo game in *Cloud Atlas* as the actors don plenty of guises. HANDOUT

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Reel guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



The year's 'most' movie

Cloud Atlas. Sprawling epic from the Wachowskis is threaded together by a somewhat trite sentiment

Richard: Mark, the movie's structure seems random at first, but as the running time ticks on connections begin to assert themselves and through lines emerge. Each story has a distinct look and feel, but share a common cast. Each actor plays many characters — so to stop your mind from wandering, you may find yourself playing a Where's Waldo game, trying to identify the actors in their various guises. Did you find it confusing?

Mark: All part of the game, Richard, all part of the game. And the Wachowskis are nothing if not game

players. There are some people who will think this is the best movie of the year. I don't know about that, but it is the *most* movie of the year — eight movies by my count. Usually after I see a film I want to go for coffee — after *Cloud Atlas* I felt I needed a vacation. But you can't fault its ambition. What you can question is its spiritual balderdash of "we are all connected." If so, why won't Spielberg return my calls?

RC: I hear you, it is a whole lotta movie. I also get what you mean about the idea that we are all connected. While spiritually satisfying, it is the most simplistic of the movie's concepts. We get it in the first hour, it's reinforced in the second and by the end of the third act you want to scream, "I know! I know! We're all connected!" What did you think about each actor taking on six roles?

MB: Part of the fun, and an Oscar shoo-in for whoever did the makeup. There is another theme to the movie that I found less trite, which is humanity's pursuit of freedom and free will over the ages. Some of the stories make this point better than others. I was most engrossed in the Seoul 2144 plot and least impressed with the nursing home geezers, although Jim Broadbent was terrific, as always. But I found it kind of depressing to find that in the far, far future, we all talk like Ozark hillbillies.

RC: I liked the nursing home story! But then again, Benny Hill always made me laugh. The action scenes, however, let me down. Surprisingly for directors who redefined movie action in their *Matrix* trilogy, the anticipated Wachowskis touch is missing in the bigger set pieces.

MB: I think if the action

Synopsis

Words like audacious and ambitious will be used to describe the sprawling three-hour saga from co-directors Lana and Andy Wachowski and Tom Tykwer. Based on a novel by British author David Mitchell, the story careens through history like a time machine with a broken steering wheel. It's a non-linear epic that connects six characters — make that souls — throughout different times in history.

- Richard: ●●●●●
- Mark: ●●●●●

scenes were any bigger, they might have overwhelmed the rest of the movie. But even if the film had one plot too many and one idea too few, it still made me feel the grandeur of what cinema can be.

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Drama



Chasing Mavericks

Director. Curtis Hanson, Michael Apted**Stars.** Gerard Butler, Jonny Weston

As frustratingly formulaic as it is, Chasing Mavericks has a strange allure. Whether it's the skillful performances, expert cinematography or the hippie magnetism of surfer logic, this true story about a teen (Jonny Weston) who attempts to conquer the world's largest waves under the guidance of a seasoned surfer (Gerard Butler) is much more cohesive than expected, especially considering Michael Apted assumed directing duties for Curtis Hanson midway through due to health concerns. **STEVE GOW**

Comedy



Fun Size

Director. Josh Schwartz**Stars.** Victoria Justice, Chelsea Handler

Characterized as a "cross between Superbad and Adventures in Babysitting", Fun Size can't capture the magic of either of those comic hits. Teen sensation Victoria Justice just wants to attend a hunk's Halloween party. Delegated to babysit instead, she loses her bratty baby brother and the night turns into a goofy search involving arson, blackmail, a humping chicken gag and other contrived hijinks. While Fun Size has idiosyncratic potential, it winds up as forgettable as a year-old rotting jack-o'-lantern. **STEVE GOW**

Horror



Silent Hill: Revelation 3D

Director. Michael J. Bassett**Stars.** Adelaide Clemens, Kit Harrington, Malcolm McDowell

What it lacked in coherent plot, Silent Hill made up for with striking and frightening imagery. But the same can't be said for this video game adaptation's second trip to theatres. Sharon, now a teenager, has no memory of Silent Hill, but is drawn back after the cult that tried to burn her maternal mother kidnap her adopted father. Lacking the narrative focus and visual flare of the original's creative team, Revelation attempts to clarify the world of Silent Hill, but only muddies the water further. **IAN GORMELY**

Documentary



Stories We Tell

Director. Sarah Polley**Stars.** Sarah Polley, Michael Polley

Truth may be stranger than fiction but in Stories We Tell, Sarah Polley proves it to be particularly compelling as well. A four-year semi-secret project, the actress-turned-Oscar-nominated filmmaker explores her ebullient late-mother's possible infidelity and her own biological probability through family interviews and a fascinating blend of real and recreated footage. Not only is it stirring drama but the film's such an engrossing dissection of truth and memory, it'll leave you curious about your own family's stories. **STEVE GOW**

Drama



The Paperboy

Director. Lee Daniels**Stars.** Zac Efron, Nicole Kidman

The Paperboy may be the long-awaited follow-up to the award-winning hit Precious but director Lee Daniels' shouldn't hold his breath for nominations this Oscar season. Set in 1969, this Southern melodrama explores two brothers investigating the questionable incarcerated hillbilly husband of an oversexed seductress (Kidman). While Daniels' cloaks the film in intolerance and tension, the rambling plot and overcalculated shocks simply antagonize its audience — especially an infamous scene involving Kidman peeing on Zac Efron's jellyfish sting. **STEVE GOW**

The horror, the horror

Unwinding after a day of shooting a nerve-shredding horror movie like Silent Hill Revelation 3D can be tough, but co-stars Adelaide Clemens and Kit Harrington have their strategies all figured out. (Hint: They involve jogging and alcohol.) See the video online at metronews.ca.



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Sarah Silverman. Star can get obsessive when it comes to video games



Wreck-It Ralph opens next Friday. HANDOUT

In Wreck-It Ralph, Sarah Silverman voices a sprightly, sweetly obnoxious glitch of a driver in Sugar Rush, a Candyland-themed racing game. But when it comes to her own gaming preferences, Silverman admits she goes in for stuff a bit more violent — like the classic James Bond multiplayer shooting game Goldeneye. But that doesn't mean she'd want to live in it.

How much of a video game fan are you?

I grew up near an arcade called

Space Center that my sisters and I would go to all the time, and the Dairy Queen where I worked had a game called Joust that I was obsessed with, that I would master between dipped cones. And then I got really into Nintendo 64. Actually, when I was working on Mr. Show, they got Nintendo 64 Goldeneye, and any time any of us weren't shooting, we were playing that obsessively. I would dream about it. I think I know every square inch of every room on every map in that game.

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Kids' movie is about mid-life crisis: Reilly

Wreck-It Ralph. Film about a video game bad guy has Boogie Nights actor voicing the main character



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Metro World News in Hollywood

To hear John C. Reilly tell it, Wreck-It Ralph — in which he voices the titular video game bad guy who leaves his game on a quest to become a hero instead — is a movie about a midlife crisis. But the folks in marketing at Disney probably don't want to put that on the posters, he admits.

How much of a video game fan were you before this movie?

You know, I think there's not enough hours in the day these days to play video games, hav-



John C. Reilly has always wondered what the cherries in Pac Man tasted like. HANDOUT

ing a family and stuff — especially given how complicated they are. Just learning the game takes hours at this point. But it certainly made a big impact on my life when I was a kid. I'm of a generation that was there when Space Invaders first came out. Maybe there was a game before that one,

but to me that was the huge game-changer. I just think it's hard for people to appreciate these days what a big change that was, because there were no computers, no cellphones. I didn't even have a VCR at that point, so the idea that you could manipulate something on a television screen? Just that

alone, let alone what the game was about and how cool the game was, just the ability to do that was huge. And you kind of had to use your imagination back then. I think [the graphics] did seem realistic — compared to Pong, you know? The first game, I guess, was Pong, before Space Invaders.

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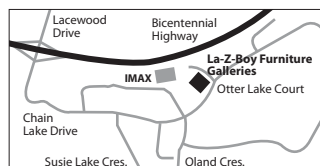
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Honoured. Carly Rae Jepsen named Billboard's Rising Star

Carly Rae Jepsen has had a breakout year, and now she's being rewarded by Billboard, which has named her its Rising Star of 2012.

The Call Me Maybe singer will be honoured at Billboard's annual Women in Music event, to be held in New York City on Nov. 30. She'll join Katy Perry, who has been

named Woman of the Year.

In a statement Thursday, Jepsen says she was influenced by many female artists and hopes to inspire budding musicians the way her heroes inspired her. Jepsen says she is truly honoured by the award.

Previous recipients include Nicki Minaj and Lady Gaga.

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Carly Rae Jepsen. GETTY IMAGES

Three songs for the weekend: Neil Young, Indian Handcrafts, The Scenics

It's an all-Canadian list this week that includes a rock legend, a lost gem and a promising newcomer



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Born in Ontario/Neil Young

Two collaborations with Crazy Horse this year? Well, they hadn't worked together since 2004, so they're just making up for lost time. Psychedelic Pill is Young's 35th studio record. And he still remembers where he's from.

On the web



Scan this code or visit metronews.ca to listen to Alan Cross's selections.

When You Come Around/The Scenics

Ancient Toronto punk band (they were at The Last Pogo at the Horseshoe in '78), got back together in 2008 and is set to release Dead Man Walks Down Bayview on Tuesday, their first album since 1979.



Bruce Lee/Indian Handcrafts

Super-cool sludge rock from two-piece Ontario outfit that owns a lot of Uncle Neil's earlier fuzzed out guitar sounds. Civil Disobedience for Losers is worth a listen.

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Ice T is a legendary rapper and an actor but Coco is definitely the star of this show

Ice Loves Coco. Reality show star and wife of rapper-turned-actor loves doing her thing and is proud of program's positivity

Ice-T is the former rapper and actor, but his impossibly curvy and obviously adored wife, Coco, is the star of the couple's reality series, *Ice Loves Coco*.

The 33-year-old model and entrepreneur (last name: Marrow, "but she just goes by Coco," says an *E!* spokeswoman) is a sweet, sincere, slightly spoiled gal wrapped in a blond-haired Jessica Rabbit package.

She favours form-fitting, bosom-baring clothing and perfect makeup, whether she's running a meeting for her clothing line, checking out building plans on her new house or walking her two bulldogs, Maximus and Spartacus.

Her 900,000 Twitter followers also know she's fond of posting nearly naked photos of herself, especially on "thong Thursday."

Coco talked with The Associated Press about what fans

can expect from her and the show's new season, premiering Sunday on *E!*

What's the appeal of *Ice Loves Coco*?

I think because it's just plain different. If you look at all the housewives shows, they do nothing but bicker and argue and fight and throw punches, and that's what *Ice Loves Coco* isn't. It's a positive show and a loving show and I think people are kind of sick of all the negativity out there.

Your fans already get to see a lot of you on Twitter!

People have their own way of thinking, like 'Oh that crazy Coco.' But you know what? I'm just trying to add a little colour into people's lives. I'm definitely not boring. And just because I'm married doesn't mean I can't show my body anymore. I work really, really hard at the gym, you know? So let me do my thing.

Any other highlights?

People will get to see me be a meteorologist on (New Jersey's) Fox 5. It's actually kind of a dream of mine because that's what I wanted to do as an occupation when I was a little girl, so I get to finally do that. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Actor and former rapper Ice-T and Coco, the stars of *Ice Loves Coco*. HANDOUT

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Justin Timberlake

Timberlake under fire over joke wedding video

Justin Timberlake is under fire for a joke video played at his \$6.5 million wedding to Jessica Biel that featured Los Angeles homeless people offering the happy couple well wishes, according to Gawker. The eight-minute video, Greetings from Your Hollywood Friends Who Just Couldn't Make It, was produced by Timberlake's friend Justin Huchel and features

toothless men saying, "Justin and Jessica, I haven't seen you for a long time. I hope the wedding goes fine for you. My gift is in the mail." Huchel's attorney insists it's all in good fun, telling the website, "Mr. Huchel made (the) video to be used and exhibited privately at Justin Timberlake's wedding as a private joke without Mr. Timberlake's knowledge."

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Taylor Swift and Conor Kennedy part ways quietly



THE WORD
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Well, this is awkward. Just weeks after Taylor Swift, 22, purchased a \$4.5 million dollar home in Hyannis Port, Mass., to be closer to her new boyfriend, Conor Kennedy, 18, *Us Weekly* is reporting they have split up. "They quietly parted ways a while ago," a friend of Swift's tells *Us Weekly*. "It was just a distance thing. No hard feelings. They're fine."

Apparently, Swift was



busy promoting her new album *Red* and wasn't able to see much of Kennedy. That, and the dude is 18 and a junior in high school, so he has some time before he needs to be serious with any global pop stars. And really, this is great for Swift. I bet she's writing a new song right at this very moment and wondering what rhymes with "Catholic."



Britney Spears

Spears' former manager claims she used hard drugs during meltdown

New light is being shed on Britney Spears' infamous 2007 head-shaving meltdown. Former manager Sam Lufti — who is suing Spears and her family for libel, defamation, battery, intentional infliction of emotional distress and breach of contract — claims that the singer had been using hard drugs at the time and was worried a judge might request a test of her hair, possibly leading to her losing custody of her young children, according to the *Daily Beast*. "She told me she wanted to get clean, but

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"She told me she wanted to get clean but she was struggling with it."

Britney Spears' ex manager Sam Lufti
On the singer's 2007 battle with drugs

she was struggling with it," Lufti said on the stand this week. "I told her she needed to do it. I explained to her that society is not going to tolerate a mother with two kids abusing drugs."

Cruise suing 'sleazy' mags for \$50M over story that he 'abandoned' Suri

Questioning Tom Cruise's parenting skills can come with a hefty fee, as tabloid *Life & Style Weekly* has discovered. He is suing the magazine — along with *In Touch* — for \$50 million over stories alleging he has all but abandoned his daughter, Suri, in the wake of his divorce from Katie Holmes, according to the *Hollywood Reporter*. "Tom is a caring father who dearly loves Suri. To say he has 'abandoned' her is a vicious lie," Cruise's lawyer, Bert Fields, says in a statement. "When these sleaze-peddlers try to make money with disgusting lies about his relationship with his child, you bet he's going to sue."



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Not that he's set up a still in his garage. Aykroyd's working with a company in Newfoundland to create Crystal Head Vodka (\$44.98 - \$54.99), using the province's pristine water.

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With Halloween around the corner, the coolest part of this vodka is its bottle. It is shaped like a human skull — kind of like the ones in the last Indiana Jones movie — which makes it the perfect base for a very bloody mary or caesar.



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Halloween. Celeb chef Andrea Nicholson offers tips for throwing an awesomely terrifying gathering

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Halloween isn't just for kids; adults deserve to have a blast too. Whether you're 21 or 61 (or even 91), a good Halloween party is the only way to bid adieu to October.

Owner of Killer Condiments (killercondiments.com) and Food Network Canada chef Andrea Nicholson is known for her time on Top Chef Canada and whipping restaurants into shape on the new season of Restaurant Takeover.

The busy chef filled us in on how to make the most out of your Halloween party this year.

What's your favourite part about Halloween?

My favourite part is putting my costume together. I always buy my costumes at second-hand stores. They are great for inspiration and always deliver hilarious ensembles. Not to mention, the costumes are cheap.

Any good ideas for a home-made twist on a traditional Halloween candy?

The Halloween treat I looked forward to the most as a kid was those small bags of potato chips. Homemade chips are so easy to make. Fry up some thinly sliced Yukon gold potatoes, season them with a mixture of sea salt, cayenne pepper and a pinch



Chef Andrea Nicholson. SUBMITTED

of sugar. They are spicy and sweet and so addictive.

What are three essentials to throwing a Halloween party?

A great playlist, costumes are mandatory and delicious food.

What's an easy dish you can make look spooky?

Asian Congee. Although tasty, it always looks murky and unknown. You can easily hide some scary ingredients inside of it.

There's a fine line between

Halloween-esque dishes and ones that are too gross to eat. What's the grossest thing you've ever seen offered up at a party?

I went to a '70s-themed party and people were asked to bring a dish inspired by the era. A friend of mine made a cottage cheese, mayo, lime Jell-O, pineapple and marshmallow salad. It was wrong on so many levels, the worst part was the texture of the lettuce and Jell-O together.

Finally, the most important question ... trick or treat?

TREAT, all the way!

Recipe

Vanilla Scarecrow Tart

1. Spoon cake mix evenly into tart shells, filling to below rim. Place shells on rimmed baking sheet and bake according to directions for 12 cupcakes. Let cool.

2. Frost top of each tart. Add dollop of frosting to top edge of tart and press smaller wafer to it for the hat top. Place larger wafer just below hat top for brim. Decorate hat with jelly beans. Press pieces of bran cereal for hair into frosting below hat brim.

3. For face, press on candy corn nose, mini candy-coated chocolates for eyes and make a stitched mouth with chocolate sprinkles.

- 12 tart shells
- 1 pkg (250 g) white cake mix
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) vanilla frosting
- 6 vanilla sugar wafers, cut into 7-cm (2 3/4-inch) lengths, then halved lengthwise
- 3 vanilla sugar wafers, cut to 7-cm (2 3/4-inch) lengths, halved lengthwise, crosswise
- Jelly beans
- Bran cereal, candy corn, mini candy-coated chocolates and chocolate sprinkles.

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Something Different: The Cello of Mr. O

suddenlyLISTEN is taking its project outside the box to bring The Cello of Mr. O, a music-driven performance for the whole family. A live performance that will include narration and visual effects, it brings together the talent of Halifax composer Steven Naylor and Norman Adams on cello at the Bus Stop Theatre. Performances take place Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m. The Cello of Mr. O, by children's author Jane Cutler, is a timeless story.



Clear for Landing: Runway Run

The Lung Association is partnering with Halifax Stanfield International Airport to clear the runway for a 5 km run like no other. Sunday at 9 a.m., participants will have special security clearance to engage in a 5 km run alongside passenger and cargo planes to raise money for The Lung Association of Nova Scotia. After landing at the finish line, participants will be able to refuel in the Gateway Hangar during the post-race reception. Visit ns.lung.ca/runwayrun.



Geek Retreat: Hal-Con

Hal-Con, running Friday through Sunday, is a science-fiction, fantasy and gaming convention, run completely by much-too-dedicated volunteers: a board of 10 members is supported by 25 staff members on an organizing committee. This year, Hal-Con is thrilled to announce that guests include John Rhys-Davies of Indiana Jones and Lord of the Rings, John Dunsworth of Trailer Park Boys fame, and long-time Canadian actor Richard Donat. Visit hal-con.com.



Fun Times: The Tom Fun Orchestra

The Tom Fun Orchestra is a world famous band of modest Cape Breton musicians who obviously hire professional types to write their bio. Tom Fun would never itself choose to list its many accomplishments, which include multiple tours across Canada and the United Kingdom as well as sojourns to the Republic of Ireland and Australia. Playing Saturday at The Seahorse Tavern, Tom Fun is excited to play material from its latest album, Earthworm Heart, which drops on Friday.



Take in the Harvest: City Harvest

City Harvest, taking place Saturday and Sunday, is open to all businesses, restaurants, institutions and charities that want to take part. In celebration of fall, a beautiful time of year in Halifax and one of anticipation for the upcoming holiday season, City Harvest will bring together all that is fantastic this time of year. Open City's side-door take-out will be returning, not to mention great shopping and entertainment for all. Visit ilovelocalhfx.ca.



Have a Ball: Laing House Masquerade Ball

Still reeling from the raucous atmosphere of last year's Rio-themed ball, guests will be transported across the ocean to the serenity of the Greek Islands for this year's Laing House Masquerade Ball. The premiere social event of the season, Laing's sixth annual ball, A Night in Greece, will surely not disappoint. So it's time to put on your tuxedo, select the perfect gown and be whisked away. Visit lainghouse.org.



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Abeltshauser relishing Mooseheads' winning streak



Konrad Abeltshauser unofficially logs more ice time than any other Halifax Mooseheads defenceman and leads all QMJHL blue-liners in scoring with a goal and 16 assists in 14 games. JEFF HARPER/METRO

QMJHL. Mooseheads look to extend 11-game run during weekend homestand



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The fact that the Halifax Mooseheads have already hit 13 wins just a month into the season brings a big smile to the face of Konrad Abeltshauser.

The six-foot-five defenceman remembers arriving in Halifax from Bad Tolz, Germany, in 2009 and joining a Mooseheads team that needed the entire six-month schedule to reach that mark.

"It was tough my first year — we would work our (butts) off in practice, then we'd come here and work so hard (in a game) and we wouldn't get re-

warded," recalls Abeltshauser, one of three players left from that team along with Brent Andrews and Steve Gillard.

"We had to battle every night and we got as many wins all season as we have already this year. It's nice to finally get rewarded after all the work we've put in over the years."

The 20-year-old San Jose Sharks draft pick has played a key role in the success of the first-place Mooseheads, who are 13-1 and riding an 11-game winning streak heading into home games on Saturday at 7 p.m. against the Chicoutimi Saguenéens and Sunday at 4 p.m. against the P.E.I. Rocket.

Abeltshauser unofficially logs more ice time than any other defenceman on the team and leads all QMJHL blue-liners in scoring with a goal and 16 assists in 14 games. He's moved into sixth spot on the Mooseheads' all-time defence scoring list and needs just 18 more points to break Jasmin Gelin's franchise record of 130 points.

"Obviously, if I could reach that, it would be a great honour for me, but I'm not too much concerned about the points," Abeltshauser says. "I'll take the 11-game winning streak 10 times out of 10 over an 11-game points streak for myself."

Offensive defence

Highest-scoring defencemen in Mooseheads history:

- 1 Jasmin Gelin** (1998-2000), 130
- 2 Frederic Belanger** (1995-2000), 125
- 3 Andrew Bodnarchuk** (2005-08), 123
- 4 Ali MacEachern** (1997-2001), 122
- 5 Chris Peyton** (1994-96), 115
- 6 Konrad Abeltshauser** (2009-13), 113

It's sometimes challenging for teams to find motivation early in the season, but the winning streak has added some excitement to the equation for the Mooseheads. They're chasing the franchise record of 15 consecutive wins set in 1998.

"We're not finished yet, we want to go even further," Abeltshauser says. "We've got 11 (straight) now, but we're not satisfied. We want to keep this going as long as we can."

Not wasting time

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Number of days it's taken the Mooseheads to reach 13 wins this season. It took them 185 days to achieve that total in 2009-10.

Huskies, X-Men square off for final AUS playoff spot

The Saint Mary's Huskies are facing a must-win game on Saturday to keep their playoff tradition alive.

The Huskies, who have made 13 consecutive trips to the Atlantic University Sport football post-season, host the St. Francis Xavier X-Men at 2 p.m. with the conference's final playoff spot on the line.

Saint Mary's and St. FX, tied for last in the AUS standings with 2-5 records, are vying for the final semifinal berth to face the Mount Allison Mounties, 3-4, on Nov. 3.

"It's do or die," said Huskies second-year defensive back Kayin Marchand-Wright. "After a big week of practice, hope-

Beast mode

Huskies fifth-year defensive lineman Rob Jubenville is having a remarkable season. The six-foot-two 255-pounder leads the AUS in sacks (8.5), tackles for losses (12.0), and forced fumbles (five) and now holds the conference record for career sacks with 26.0.

fully we come out in our last game and win."

The Huskies have lost back-to-back games but battled hard in a 12-7 setback to the first-place Acadia Axemen last

weekend in Wolfville. They also beat the X-Men handily in their only meeting this season, a 32-9 triumph on Sept. 29 in Antigonish.

The Huskies would benefit from an improved aerial attack, as quarterback Drew Jacobson hasn't thrown a touchdown in his past two games while completing just 17-of-46 passes for 159 yards and three interceptions.

Marchand-Wright, a first-team all-Canadian as a rookie last season, admitted the team feels pressure to get to the playoffs but doesn't think that's a bad thing. "Playoffs is what I came here for, to make it out of the conference and hope-



Defensive back Kayin Marchand-Wright and the Saint Mary's Huskies must beat St. Francis on Saturday to advance to the playoffs. JEFF HARPER/METRO

fully win a Vanier Cup soon," Marchand-Wright said. "This game is going to be a big one."

We're going to come out with a lot of energy and hopefully get the win." **MATTHEW WUEST/METRO**

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League pulls 50-50 offer off the table

NHL. Deal called for even split of hockey-related revenue for the next six or seven years

Now the NHL is skating backwards.

The league is withdrawing its last offer now that a self-imposed deadline to save a full 82-game regular season with playoffs has passed.

It's a matter of raising the stakes in what has become a game of chicken with NHL players.

"I think owners want us to be fearful of missing another year," said Calgary Flames forward Mike Cammalleri. "Guys unanimously feel the same way. The lockout feels like a shakedown. That's kind of the feeling across the board."

Cammalleri, working out in Toronto, told the Toronto Star News Service he can't understand why the NHL wants more than the \$800 million in concessions the players have offered.

"There's no good answer to why except: 'We think we



Calgary Flame Mike Cammalleri skates with his cousin's bantam hockey team Oct. 4 in Richmond Hill, Ont. Cammalleri said on Thursday the lockout "feels like a shakedown" by the NHL. RENE JOHNSTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

can lock you out and your careers are short and we can shake you down," he said. "It's not a good feeling."

The league didn't immediately respond to a request for comment, but deputy commissioner Bill Daly told ESPN he expected to notify the players' association about the league's decision.

"We're going to take it back internally and figure out where we go from here," said Daly. "This proposal no longer works because it was a proposal to save 82 games. We have to rethink where we are, and what type of

season we're looking at."

Agent Allan Walsh, one of the league's fiercest critics, dismissed the move on his Twitter feed, saying it was out of the "owners' playbook: Deadline passes, take offer off table, give players reduced offer, tell players it's only going to get worse."

The players objected on a number of fronts to the league proposal for an even split of hockey-related revenue for the next six or seven years. They didn't like the changes to unrestricted free agency and the arbitration process, or the fact the

salary cap would drop to slightly under \$60 million.

They were particularly unhappy about the so-called "make whole" provision. Essentially, players in the first two years of the deal would not receive their full salary — it would come out of hockey-related revenue in the future.

The players' counter-proposals called for a 50-50 split later in a five-year deal. The players want their full salaries paid — money deemed outside of the salary cap — from the owners' share of revenue.

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Head smart. Hockey Canada releases concussion app

Hockey Canada has launched a new smartphone app aimed at reducing brain injuries in the sport.

Available in both English and French, and with versions for adults and kids, the app includes medically approved information on everything from concussion symptoms to return-to-play protocol.

"You can have your phone on the bench — it's that close," said Hockey Canada president Bob Nicholson. "It's right in the (coach or trainer's) hands."

In development for more than a year, the app is available for BlackBerry, iPhone and Android and can be downloaded for free from Hockey Canada's website, BlackBerry's App World, iTunes or the Google Play Store.

Staying current

One of the benefits of the app is that Hockey Canada has the ability to update it immediately with new advances made in the industry.

- Nicholson was also touting it as a resource for not only coaches and parents, but young players as well.

The app was a joint project with the Canadian Centre for Ethics and Sport, the Coaching Association of Canada and ThinkFirst Pensez d'Abord Canada. It was funded by a \$1.5-million grant from the federal government.

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NFL

Packers' Jennings thinks he'll be back this season

Rest and rehab weren't enough to get Greg Jennings back on the field.

The Green Bay Packers' No. 1 receiver will have surgery Tuesday to repair a torn abdominal muscle that has kept him out most of the season. He said recovery from the procedure is not season-ending.

"Honestly, I'm over being bummed about it," Jennings said Thursday. "I need to take care of it to 100 per cent, and that's the process I'm taking."

The two-time Pro Bowler was initially hurt Sept. 9 against San Francisco.

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NBA

Stern announces plan to retire

NBA commissioner David Stern will retire on Feb. 1, 2014, 30 years after he took charge of the league. He will be replaced by deputy commissioner Adam Silver.

The announcement came at a NBA board of governors meeting Thursday.

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David Stern GETTY IMAGES

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"You all should be able to figure this out. Get this done. The fans deserve it."

U.S. President Barack Obama, when asked about the NHL lockout during an appearance on The Tonight Show on Wednesday.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28

Women's Volleyball vs Laval, 1:00pm
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QMJHL. Special delivery: Rocket score all six goals while on special teams

Josh Currie scored twice on the power play and added another goal while short-handed Thursday as the P.E.I. Rocket defeated the Chicoutimi Saguenéens 6-3 in the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League.

All six P.E.I. goals came on special teams — four on the man advantage and two while killing penalties.

Ben Duffy added a goal and two assists for P.E.I. (10-4-0), while Alexi Pepin chipped in with a goal and an assist in a game that featured 108 minutes in penalties.

Erik Robichaud also scored for the Rocket, while Alex Micallef picked up two assists. Maxime Legace made 17 saves to get the win.

Guillaume Asselin, with goal and an assist, Gabriel Gagnon and Sebastien Sylvestre scored for Chicoutimi (6-7-2).

Francis Desrosiers started in goal for the Saguenéens but was pulled early in the third after giving up five goals on 26 shots.

Julio Billia stopped 11-of-12 shots the rest of the way.

Elsewhere in the QMJHL

In other action it was: Baie-Comeau 8, Quebec 2; Victoriaville 5, Acadie-Bathurst 4 (OT); and Moncton 5, Gatineau 2.

At Charlottetown, the Saguenéens led 1-0 after the first period, but the Rocket took the lead in the second thanks to their special teams.

Robichaud scored short-handed at 3:12 before Currie did the same at 11:34. Gagnon tied things again for Chicoutimi at 18:20, but Currie added his power-play goal with eight seconds left in the period to give P.E.I. a 3-2 lead after two.

Duffy scored on the power play at 1:35 of the third and Pepin added another man-advantage goal exactly two minutes later to stretch the lead to 5-2 and send Desrosiers to the Chicoutimi bench.

P.E.I. finished the game 4-for-9 on the power play. Chicoutimi ended the night 0-for-5. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



The Detroit Tigers' Prince Fielder is called out at home plate on a tag by San Francisco Giants catcher Buster Posey during the second inning of Game 2 of the World Series Thursday in San Francisco. MARCIO JOSE SANCHEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Regular-season records count for little

MLB. Both Giants and Tigers won their divisions, but were not top teams in their leagues over 162 games

these are the best two teams and the hottest teams, too," Tigers reliever Jose Valverde said. "The first two months, you see Detroit is in last place. Chicago, Cleveland, everybody's laughing. What happened now?"

For much of its history, baseball was a gruelling, six-month endurance test, with only the top team in each league going to the post-season.

Now, with six divisions and four wild-card teams, it's more a matter of just getting into the tournament and getting on a roll in October.

"I think ideally you like to see the teams that have the best record end up there," Giants manager Bruce Bochy said. "But as we have mentioned many times, once you get to the playoffs, it does become a little bit of a crap

Late bloomers

- The Giants trailed the Los Angeles Dodgers in the NL West as late as mid-August before making a strong run to win the division and finish tied with the third-best record in the National League.
- The Tigers were merely six games over .500 with three weeks left in the regular season and made the playoffs despite posting the seventh-best record in the American League.

shoot, who's playing the best at that time. You understand that. That's why wild-card teams have done well. A lot of them are fighting to get there, but they're also playing well at the right time."

In the 18 post-seasons since the playoffs expanded in 1995, the team with the best overall record in the regular season ended up as World Series champion just three times.

The Yankees did it twice, in 1998 and 2009, and Boston accomplished it as well in 2007. That one-out-of-six rate is little better than if the champion was chosen randomly.

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Tennis

Manitoba bids to host Davis Cup

Tennis Manitoba is trying to get people to put their cash on the line as it bids to host Canada's Davis Cup tennis tie against Spain in February.

The organization has teamed with True North Sports and Entertainment, which owns the MTS Centre, to ask for refundable \$25 deposits on tickets to prove there is widespread interest.

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Milos Raonic headlines Canada's Davis Cup team. GETTY IMAGES FILE

Best in baseball? The Detroit Tigers and San Francisco Giants spent much of the season trying to catch mediocre teams like the Chicago White Sox and Los Angeles Dodgers just to win their divisions.

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Sinclair nominated for top women's soccer prize

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She was on the early nomination list for the FIFA Women's World Player of the Year award Thursday. Canadian coach John Herdman was one of 10 nominees for the FIFA World Coach of the Year for Women's Football.

Sinclair scored 23 goals in 22 matches and led all play-



Christine Sinclair GETTY IMAGES FILE

ers with six goals at the London Olympics. The 29-year-

old from Burnaby, B.C., had a hat trick in a tense 4-3 semi-final loss in extra time to the Americans.

Herdman guided Canada to an Olympic bronze medal. He helped the team post a record of 14 wins, seven losses and one draw this year.

Four players from the gold-medal-winning American team were also nominated. They are Abby Wambach, Alex Morgan, Carli Lloyd and Megan Rapinoe.

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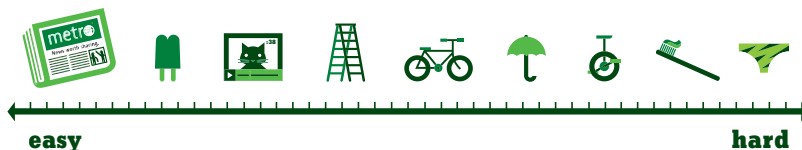
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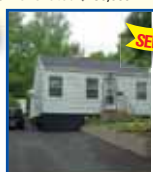
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♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

The more you help a friend or neighbour today, the more you will help yourself. So, be tolerant of their failings and be prepared to give them the benefit of the doubt. Your fates are closely entwined.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

If you are serious about changing the habits of a lifetime, the approaching full moon will help you make the transition. But the effort must come from you and it must come quick or the opportunity will be gone.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You have lots of energy and even more enthusiasm at the moment but do you have a target worth aiming for? Creatively and artistically this is a great time of year for you, so start building that masterpiece.

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July 24 - Aug. 23

Some kind of emotional upheaval is likely today but that need not be a bad thing. In fact, it could be good in that it forces long-term resentments out into the open where they can at last be dealt with.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Your social life is looking good at the moment but you are advised not to get carried away. If you burn the candle at both ends now, you could be too slow to take advantage of an opportunity on the weekend.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

There is a good chance that you will come into money over the next few days, and there is an equally good chance that you will waste it on some luxury item you don't really need. Still, easy come, easy go.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You will be extremely demanding today, both of yourself and of other people. If you have faith in your own abilities — and you do — there is precious little you cannot achieve. Reach for the stars and own them.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You need to rise above setbacks and see the positive in everything that happens. If you can do that today, the approaching full moon won't do you much harm. And you'll be in a position to help others.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

The most important thing now is that you refuse to jump to conclusions. You certainly should not condemn people just because they approach life from a different direction or perspective.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You can accomplish great things over the next few days but you will also need to ignore the negative vibes that come from a work colleague or even your employer. You can do it.

♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You have total faith in your own abilities and that's just as well because you're surrounded by people who don't share your upbeat outlook on life. How do you best deal with them? You ignore them.

SALLY BROMPTON

March Goes Out and March Comes In

BY MICHAEL WIESENBERG

Across

1. Official Parliament opposition: initialism
4. Tennis ____: top court player

7. ____ Horton's
10. Historic periods
12. Cheers heard at a bullfight
13. Near
15. Alexander ____: Scottish engineer with an energy unit named after him

16. "... a ____ told by an idiot ...": Shakespeare
17. Eyes: Fr.
18. Place to see a play
20. Excavation

21. "... and March goes out like ____" (2 wds.)
22. Egg layer

23. Awry
25. World's second largest country

28. Jungfrau or Matterhorn, e.g.
29. AM/FM devices

32. Amusement park attraction
34. Baseball or tennis

36. They: Fr.
37. Brainstorms

38. "Scat!"
39. Prince Edward ____

41. Letters on the back of a Yukon XL, Jimmy, or Sierra

42. Circle that goes through Canada's north

44. "March comes in like ____" (2 wds.)

46. Goldfish cousin that populates backyard ponds

47. Drew back, like a startled horse

49. "Fraternal" or "identical" follower

51. ____ Canadian (beer)

54. Admire yourself in the mirror

55. Sup

56. Dark, rich soil

58. Rental contract

59. Winter conveyance

60. Long tale such as *Beowulf*

61. Urge

62. ____ Zeppelin of rock

63. "____ you!"

Down

1. ____ Brunswick
2. "Confound it!"

3. Biking or hiking course

4. Startle

5. Hollywood star, particularly an A-lister, in short

6. 180 degrees from WNW

7. Slave away

8. ____ of Man or Capri

9. "____ amis": "My friends" (Fr.)

11. Chateaubriand or filet mignon

12. Parliament's home

13. See 14-Down

14. With 13-Down, Montréal singer-poet best known for "Suzanne" and "Bird on a Wire"

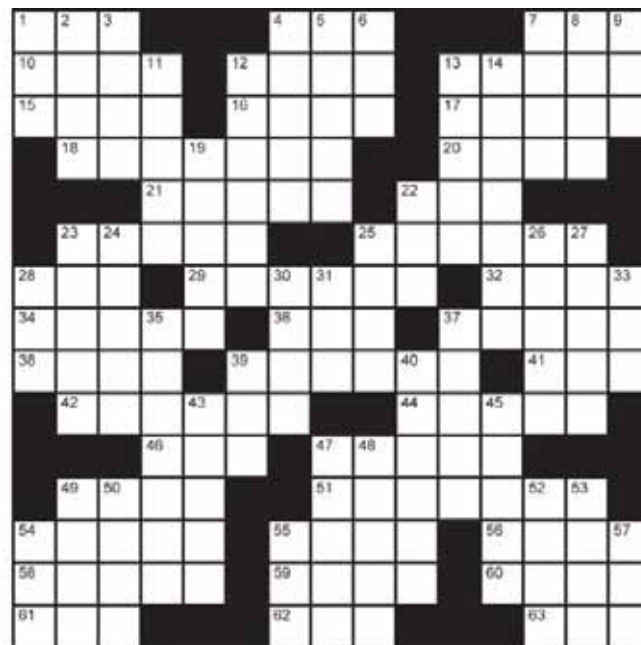
19. Computer warning

22. Owns

23. First Greek letter

24. Animal track

25. ____ Nostra



26. AFL's San ____ Chargers

27. "Frankly, my dear, I don't give ____" (2 wds.)

28. Donkey

30. Computer storage

31. Not well

33. PC key beside F1

35. Alberta-BC border feature

37. Loafs

39. 3 on a sundial

40. Attached using a

hammer

43. 1,000 kg

45. Celebrities

47. Happy expression

48. Sharpened, as a knife

49. Alder or aspen

50. Gradually withdraw (off or from something)

52. Biblical ark builder

53. Wise man

54. Carry on, as a trade

55. Internet connection,

for short

57. "Mother ____!"

Yesterday's Crossword



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6	4	3	2	7	1	9	5	8
5	8	2	9	6	3	1	4	7
9	5	1	6	4	8	7	3	2
7	2	4	3	1	5	8	6	9
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